

## ROUTE 7 TRUCK CLIMBING LANE

### RFQ QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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Project:	<b>6007-053-133, R201, C501</b>
Subject:	RFQ Questions and Answers

All Offerors shall note that Kevin Reichert, P.E. will be the new VDOT Point of Contact for the remaining procurement of the Project. Kevin's contact information is as follows:

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1. RFQ Section 5.2.2.3 states "The numbered tabs shall not count against the above reference page limit, provided no project specific information is included on them."

Would including photographs of the project on the tabs be considered project specific? Would including general information about the Offeror be considered project specific?

*Tabs and/or page separators that do not include any information, excluding logos or pictures, are permissible and do not count against the page limit.*

2. RFQ section 5.2.2 states "All printing, except for the front cover of the Statement of Qualifications, should be Times New Roman, with a font of 12-point (Times New Roman 10 point font may be used for filling out information on the Key Personnel Resume Form and the Work History Forms).

Is text that is part of a graphic required to meet the 12-point font requirement? The graphics we are referencing are the organizational chart, any maps that may be included, phase diagrams, or other graphics. There may be graphics where either slightly larger or slightly smaller font would make the representation easier to read.

*Text that is part of a graphic can be modified within reason. All text that is part of a graphic should be readable and should be no smaller than Times New Roman 10 point. Larger text can be used as well.*

3. What, if any, additional noise studies will be required as part of this project?

*The Final Noise Abatement Design (FNAD) is currently underway. The report is anticipated to be completed in January 2013 and will be part of the RFP Information Package. There are no additional noise studies that will be required as part of the project once the FNAD analysis is completed. However, issues pertaining to whether noise barriers would be proposed for the project cannot be answered until the FNAD is complete.*

4. Given soil conditions within the project limits, will open-cutting be permitting for the installation of the storm sewers and other utility installations required by this project?

*The Design-Builder may choose to open-cut. VDOT will not preclude open-cut, however, the Design-Builder will be responsible for following the TMP and MOT requirements identified in the RFP.*

5. Is any additional information available related to the amount of public involvement VDOT will require as a part of this project?

*Additional public involvement is anticipated. The public involvement requirements will be included in the RFP.*

6. The scoping report states that NOVA will prepare a TMP with MOT and sequence of construction. Please confirm which portions of this work will be the responsibility of the Design Build contractor, if any.

*The Transportation Management Plan (TMP) requirements will be included in the RFP. The Design-Builder will be required to prepare the TMP with an appropriate maintenance of traffic and sequence of construction for their design.*

7. DBE percentage of 20% - The DBE goal for this project is extremely high for the scope/nature of work and the location. Please consider reducing the number to 15%, or; if the 20% is considered the correct number, please provide the Department's analysis that supports how such a high number may be obtained.

*The Civil Rights Division has confirmed that the DBE Goal for this project should be 15%. An upcoming addendum to the RFQ will be issued to address this change in the DBE goal.*

8. The schedule for this project is too aggressive for Design Build. If we do not receive NTP until September 18, 2013 with a completion date of May 2015, that only allows one construction season to perform this multi-phase project on a heavily traveled primary route. Considering that design, right of way and utility issues must be resolved following NTP and prior to construction starting, and with all of the traffic restrictions that must be accommodated on this commuter route, we do not believe the Contract time is adequate. We believe two construction seasons are necessary to complete this project and recommend a completion date in late fall 2015 at the earliest.

*The final completion date will be revised to October 2015 with an interim milestone date of August 2015 to ensure the road is open to traffic prior to the 2015 school year. An upcoming addendum to the RFQ will be issued to address this change to the final completion date. Additional details about the interim milestone will be included in the RFP.*

9. Are sound walls anticipated anywhere on this project?

*See response to Question No. 3.*